



# NOVEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>



**On this day in...**



An incredible snowstorm dropped a lot of snow on this Yucaipa neighborhood (above) on this day in 2004. The Calimesa snowman (below) loved it, but the palm tree there? Not so much.

**2004:** Thundersnow started on the evening of 11/20 in the upper desert and snow continued until 11/22. Widespread snow reports of two feet with drifts to three feet came from Wrightwood, Lake Arrowhead, Big Bear and the Palm Springs



Tramway (at 8,500 feet). The snow level was as low as 1,000 feet. 18 to 20 inches of snow fell in foothills south of Yucca Valley, 14 inches fell in Phelan, 9-12 inches in Hesperia and Apple Valley, nine inches in Yucaipa and Calimesa and up to three inches throughout the southern Inland Empire. Tree damage resulted in lower elevations, which caused house damage and

power outages. Snow lined I-10 near Calimesa for a few days following the end of the snow. On this day the storm brought wind gusts to 84 mph to Fremont Canyon and 62 mph to northern San Bernardino.

**1967:** A moist subtropical storm system that started on 11/18 ended on this day. 14+ inches of precipitation fell in the mountains above LA, 7.96 inches fell in LA. Flooding was called the “worst since 1934.” Two were killed. Flash flooding and mud slides resulted. 400 were stranded in the mountains due to closed highways. On this day 0.51 inch fell in San Diego in 10 minutes, the greatest 10 minute rainfall on record.

**1957:** Extremely destructive Santa Ana winds started on this day and ended on 11/22. Winds produced a 28,000 acre brush fire on a 40-mile front west of Crystal Lake in the San Gabriel Mountains. People were ordered off the streets in some areas due to flying debris. 12 of 33 passengers on an airplane over Ontario were hurt by a downdraft in extreme turbulence. Paint was completely stripped off of windward sides of four cars stalled in a Fontana sandstorm.

**1924:** It was 97° in Riverside, the highest temperature on record for November. This also occurred on 11/2/1997.

**1884:** A heavy winter storm brought four inches of rain to LA, and six inches to Cajon Pass, where newly laid railroad track was washed out and numerous mud slides occurred.